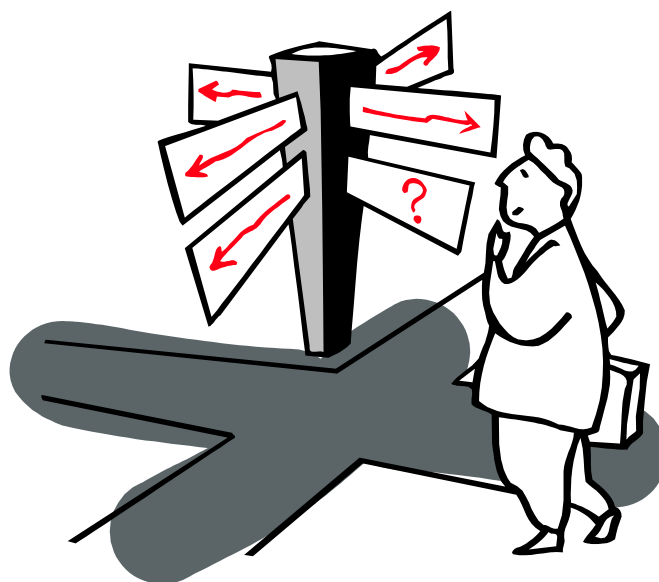


# **How To Read Vehicle Title Registration Watercraft Snowmobile and Moped Records**



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## INTRODUCTION

The following records and their definitions are provided as a service from the Department of State in order for you, the requestor, to better understand any vehicle, watercraft, snowmobile, or moped records obtained from the Michigan Department of State.

We have numbered each line of the record. A corresponding line number with an explanation is listed under the LINE-BY-LINE EXPLANATION PAGES showing what each item in the record means.

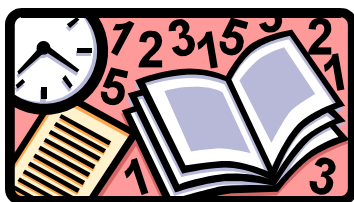
Any questions regarding the record can be answered by calling the Driver and Vehicle Information Center at 517.322.1460.



Every motor vehicle, trailer coach, and trailer when driven or moved upon public roads is subject to registration and titling requirements under the Michigan Vehicle Code unless otherwise exempt. For information on exemptions check online for the Michigan Vehicle Code at <http://www.michiganlegislature.org> (Chapter 257 of the Michigan Compiled Laws) or contact the Driver and Vehicle Information Center at 517.322.1460.

#### **TITLE AND REGISTRATION RECORD**

1. A SOS 28 10/22/2003 11:39:45 IP10\_28\_15\_152/MIPC.
2. 53;1;1GKEK12Z82J287055.
3. TITLE INFORMATION:
4. 2002 GMC 1GKEK12Z82J287055 36 STA-WAGON M ORIGINAL
5. 01/22/2003 269P0180375 YUKON 4745 A
6. JOHNNY TITLEHOLDER &
7. MARGARET TITLEHOLDER
8. 10959 HILL ST
9. DETROIT 48386-3752
10. \*FULL RIGHTS TO SURVIVOR\*
11. BIG MONEY BANK
12. PO BOX 8117 12/16/2002
13. ROCKEYSVILLE MD 21030
14. REGISTRATION INFORMATION:
15. VEG79 AUTO COMM CO-TRANSFER
16. 12/10/2003 T-630-145-585-839
17. MI SOS



## **LINE-BY-LINE EXPLANATION OF TITLE AND REGISTRATION RECORD**

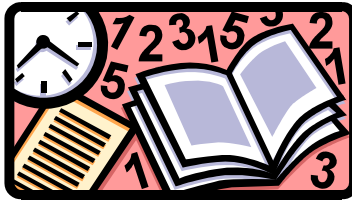
- LINE 1.** Date, time and computer terminal identifier of query.
- LINE 2.** Query code and the vehicle identification number. (VIN)
- LINE 3.** Type of record.
- LINE 4.** Year of vehicle. Make of vehicle. Vehicle Identification Number. Fee category for weight. Body Style. Special mailing code. Title transaction type.
- LINE 5.** Date of title issuance. Title number. Model of vehicle. Odometer reading. Mileage type- (**A**- actual **B**- not actual **C**- exceeds mechanical limits).
- LINE 6.** Name of titled owner.
- LINE 7.** Name of titled co-owner. (If more than one person owns vehicle).
- LINE 8.** Street address of titled owner.
- LINE 9.** City of residence. Zip code.
- LINE 10.** Probate law permits the recording of "FULL RIGHTS TO SURVIVOR" on titles when there is joint ownership.
- LINE 11.** Lienholder's name.
- LINE 12.** Lienholder's street address and or P.O. box. Filing date of the lien.
- LINE 13.** Lienholder's city, state, and zip code.
- LINE 14.** Registration information identifier.
- LINE 15.** License plate number registered to this vehicle. Style of plate. Code for type of registration or plate. Registration transaction type.
- LINE 16.** Expiration date of plate. Driver's license number of plate's owner.
- LINE 17.** End of record identifier.



In 1979 Michigan's salvage title law took effect. When a late-model vehicle suffers damage between 75% and 91% of its pre-damaged cash value it becomes a "distressed vehicle". The regular title is replaced with a salvage title. If the vehicle is damaged more than 91% of its pre-damaged cash value the title is replaced with a scrap title. The following is an example of a salvage title record. The same information would show on a scrap title record except the words **\*SCRAP VEHICLE\*** would show on line 4 of the record.

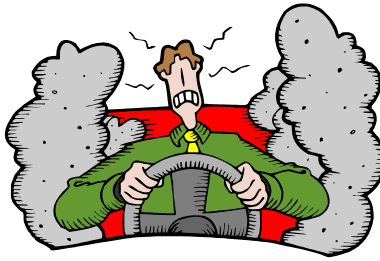
#### **SALVAGE TITLE RECORD**

1. A SOS 13 10/28/2003 09:05:29 IP10\_28\_15\_152/MIPC.
2. 53;1;JH4DC6352WS207468.
3. TITLE INFORMATION:
4. \*SALVAGE VEHICLE\*
5. 1998 ACURA JH4DC6352WS207468 17 TWO DOOR TRANSFER SALVAGE
6. 05/10/2001 298M1390136 INTEGRA 30497 A
7. COLOR - SIL
8. \*NON-SALVAGEABLE PARTS
9. FRONT BUMPER - HOOD - R FENDER - REAR BUMPER - L REAR QTR PANEL -
10. L FRONT DOOR - FRAME -
11. WE PAY INSURANCE
12. 22V293565
13. 14331 MIDDLETOWN RD
14. ANYWHERE 48154-4539
15. NO SECURED INTEREST ON RECORD
16. MI SOS



### LINE-BY-LINE EXPLANATION OF A SALVAGE TITLE RECORD

- LINE 1.** Date, time, and computer terminal identifier of query.
- LINE 2.** Query code and the vehicle identification number. (VIN)
- LINE 3.** Type of record.
- LINE 4.** Vehicle status. (May also show as a **\*SCRAP VEHICLE\***.)
- LINE 5.** Year of vehicle. Make of vehicle. Vehicle Identification Number. Fee Category or weight. Body Style. Title transaction type. Vehicle Brand.
- LINE 6.** Date of title issuance. Title number. Model of vehicle. Odometer reading. Mileage type- (**A**- actual **B**- not actual **C**- exceeds mechanical limits).
- LINE 7.** Color of vehicle.
- LINE 8.** Information identifier.
- LINE 9.** Non-salvageable parts list.
- LINE 10.** Non-salvageable parts list continued.
- LINE 11.** Titled owner's name.
- LINE 12.** Insurance claim number. (Not shown on all title records).
- LINE 13.** Street address of titled owner.
- LINE 14.** Owner's city and zip code.
- LINE 15.** Lienholder's name.
- LINE 16.** End of record identifier.



## NOTES ABOUT SALVAGE AND SCRAP TITLE RECORDS

When a vehicle with a salvage title has been repaired or rebuilt, it cannot be used on-road or titled and plated as a regular rebuilt vehicle until it is recertified by a specially trained law enforcement officer.

A title that has been recertified for road use will show the following legend.

**\*\*THIS VEHICLE WAS PREVIOUSLY ISSUED A SALVAGE TITLE \*\***

Beginning July 1, 1994, a scrap title is issued to a vehicle that has one or more major component parts that have been wrecked, destroyed, damaged, stolen, or missing to the extent that the total estimated cost of repair (parts and labor) for the vehicle is 91% or more of its pre-damaged value.

A title that is issued under the scrap law will show the following legend.

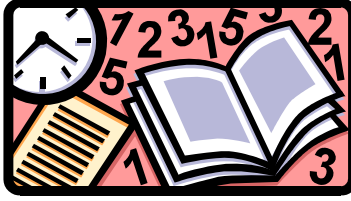
**\*\*SCRAP VEHICLE\*\***

Salvage titles are **ORANGE** in color.

Scrap titles are **RED** in color.

Regular titles are **GREEN** in color.





The following is a list of several codes and their definitions that are used with title and registration records.

### TRANSACTION TYPES

<b>CORR</b>	Corrected title
<b>DUP</b>	Duplicate title
<b>FOREIGN</b>	Title issued to vehicles entering Michigan from another state or country.
<b>INCOMPLETE</b>	Title issued for ownership to complete by a secondary manufacturer.
<b>INTRANSIT</b>	14-day permit issued for transporting vehicle to another state. No title printed.
<b>MEMO</b>	Registration issued without issuing a Michigan title. Allowed when the title is being held by an out of state lienholder or lessor.
<b>NO TAX</b>	Issued for ownership only. Plates cannot be purchased for this vehicle until taxes are paid. Commonly referred to as a re-sale title.
<b>ORIGINAL</b>	Original title for new vehicle first sold in Michigan.
<b>ORV</b>	Off Road Vehicle title issued to vehicles not registered for highway use.
<b>REPO</b>	Issued when a vehicle is repossessed by lienholder or secured party.
<b>STOLEN-DUP</b>	A title issued on a vehicle that is stolen and has not been recovered. Usually used to transfer vehicle ownership to insurance company following settlement of a claim.
<b>TRANSFER</b>	Title issued following ownership transfer.

### REGISTRATION TYPE CODES

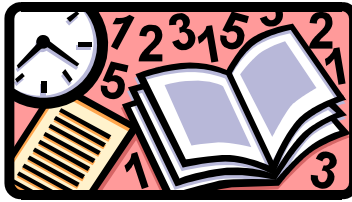
<b>AR</b> = Amateur radio operator	<b>CH</b> = Special cause plate	<b>CL</b> = College plate
<b>CO</b> = Commercial plate	<b>DX</b> = Handicapped plate	<b>FM</b> = Farm plate
<b>LS</b> = Legislative plate	<b>MC</b> = Motorcycle plate	<b>MU</b> = Municipal plate
<b>PC</b> = Passenger plate	<b>PE</b> = Personalized plate	<b>TL</b> = Trailer plate
<b>SC</b> = Special mobile equipment plate		

### SPECIAL MAILING CODES

<b>D</b>	Title was mailed to an automobile dealer.
<b>M</b>	Title was mailed somewhere other than owner, dealer, or secured party address on record.
<b>S</b>	Title was mailed to Lienholder or secured party.

### TITLE BRANDS

<b>MUNICIPAL</b>	Vehicle used by a unit of government (city, county, township, public college or university, etc.)
<b>POLICE</b>	Vehicle used by law enforcement.
<b>TAXI</b>	Vehicle used as a taxicab.
<b>FLOOD</b>	Vehicle acquired by an insurance company as part of the settlement of a water damage claim.



### **Title Flashes**

A title FLASH is an indicator that may appear on a vehicle title record to show special information about that vehicle or to show that special action may be necessary before any new title transaction can be processed for that vehicle. Below in all capital letters is the wording that may appear on the title record. Below each FLASH is a definition of the flash.

**\*\*(FLASH DATE) STOLEN – CONFIRM WITH ENTERING JURISDICTION MIXXXXXX\*\***

This FLASH indicates the vehicle has been reported stolen. Also listed is the Originating Agency Identifier of the police agency that has reported the vehicle as stolen.

**\*\*(FLASH DATE) ABANDONED – CONFIRM WITH ENTERING JURISDICTION MIXXXXXX\*\***

This FLASH indicates the vehicle has been reported abandoned. Also listed is the Originating Agency Identifier of the police agency that has reported the vehicle as abandoned.

**\*\*(FLASH DATE) JUNKED – TITLE NO XXXXXXXXXXXX\*\***

The title for this vehicle has been cancelled on the date indicated because the vehicle was reported as being junked.

**\*\*(FLASH DATE) GKL – CONTACT SOS – CASE NO XXXXXX\*\***

A Garage Keepers Lien has been placed against the vehicle in order for a repair facility to secure an ownership document to recover costs that were not paid by owner for repairs made to the vehicle.

**\*\*(FLASH DATE) TITLE NO XXXXXXXXXXXX CANCELLED. OUT-OF-STATE – XX \*\***

The title for this vehicle has been cancelled to another state where it is now titled and registered. The state is indicated by the two-letter abbreviation next to OUT-OF-STATE.

**\*\*(FLASH DATE) HELD IN ABEYANCE – CONTACT SOS\*\***

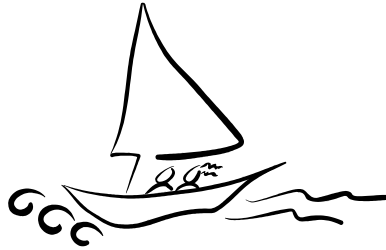
No transaction for this vehicle can be processed because of a previous transaction being incomplete.

**\*\*(FLASH DATE) RETURNS – BRXXX (RETURN CODE) (BR DATE) CASE NO XXXX\*\***

A transaction for this vehicle has been returned to either the customer or a Secretary of State branch office as incomplete.

**\*\*(FLASH DATE) TITLE CANCELLED – (REASON)\*\***

The title for this vehicle or watercraft has been cancelled due to a change in title status.



All watercraft on Michigan waters, including privately owned lakes and waterways, must be registered and display a decal except those specifically exempt. For information on exempt watercraft contact the Driver and Vehicle Information Center at 517.322.1460.

### **WATERCRAFT REGISTRATION RECORD**

1.	A SOS 34 10/22/2003 13:34:14 IP10_28_15_152/MIPC.
2.	21;8344GM.
3.	03/31/2006 WC-RENEWAL
4.	JOHN BOATER
5.	8211 GREEN RD SOMER OH 45064
6.	1986 STARCRAFT 15 FT 00 IN
7.	ALUMINUM OUTBOARD PLEASURE
8.	P070RA01076 84 OPEN GAS 03/20/2003
9.	MI SOS

### **LINE-BY-LINE EXPLANATION OF WATERCRAFT REGISTRATION RECORD**

<b>LINE 1.</b>	Date, time, and computer terminal of query.
<b>LINE 2.</b>	Query code and registration number from watercraft.
<b>LINE 3.</b>	Expiration date of registration. Type of registration. Type of registration transaction.
<b>LINE 4.</b>	Name of registration owner.
<b>LINE 5.</b>	Street address of registration owner. City, state, and zip code.
<b>LINE 6.</b>	Year of watercraft. Make of watercraft. Length of watercraft (feet and inches).
<b>LINE 7.</b>	Hull material of watercraft. Power source and how watercraft is used.
<b>LINE 8.</b>	Last transaction validation. County code. Type of watercraft. Fuel type. Date of transaction.
<b>LINE 9.</b>	End of record identifier.



All watercraft 20 feet and over in length must be titled in Michigan unless exempt. All watercraft with a permanently affixed engine, regardless of length, must be titled in Michigan unless exempt. For watercraft exemption information contact the Driver and Vehicle Information Center at 517.322.1460.

#### **WATERCRAFT TITLE RECORD**

1. A SOS 4 10/23/2003 08:56:51 IP10\_28\_15\_152/MIPC.
2. 22;1;STRS6340D786.
3. 1986 STARCRAFT OPEN 16FT 0IN SFM160
4. ORIGINAL CC54262 05/23/1986 STRS6340D786
  
5. JOHN BOATER
6. 15 WOODE DR
7. PONTIAC 48340
  
8. OLD BIG BANK
9. 1300 W NORTH ST 04/25/1986
10. DETROIT
  
11. MI SOS



#### **LINE-BY-LINE EXPLANATION FOR WATERCRAFT TITLE RECORD**

- LINE 1.** Date, time, and computer terminal identifier of query.
- LINE 2.** Query code and hull identification number.
- LINE 3.** Year of watercraft. Make of watercraft. Type of watercraft. Length of watercraft. Model of watercraft.
- LINE 4.** Title transaction type. Title number. Title issue date. Hull identification number.
- LINE 5.** Titled owner's name.
- LINE 6.** Titled owner's street address.
- LINE 7.** Titled owner's city and zip code.
- LINE 8.** Lienholder's name.
- LINE 9.** Lienholder's street address or P.O Box. Date of lien placement.
- LINE 10.** Lienholder's city of residence.
- LINE 11.** End of record identifier.



A snowmobile is any motor driven vehicle designed for travel primarily on snow or ice. It may utilize sled type runners or skis, an endless belt tread, or any combination of these, or it can have any other similar means of contact with the operating surface. All snowmobiles are registered unless used on private property. Snowmobiles are not titled.

### **SNOWMOBILE REGISTRATION RECORD**

1.	A SOS 20 10/30/2003 10:49:36 IP10_28_15_152/MIPC.	
2.	25;EC8438.	
3.	09/30/2005	SN-ORIGINAL
4.	JOHN SNOWMOBILER	
5.	34278 42ND ST	PAW PAW 49079
6.	980 YAMAHA	8J6022522
7.	201N3130165 80	
8.	MI SOS	

### **LINE-BY-LINE EXPLANATION OF A SNOWMOBILE REGISTRATION RECORD**

<b>LINE 1.</b>	Date, time, and computer terminal identifier of query.
<b>LINE 2.</b>	Query code and snowmobile registration number.
<b>LINE 3.</b>	Expiration date of snowmobile registration. Code for type of registration. Type of registration transaction.
<b>LINE 4.</b>	Name of registered owner.
<b>LINE 5.</b>	Street address of registered owner. City of residence and zip code of registered owner.
<b>LINE 6.</b>	Model year of snowmobile. Make of snowmobile. Snowmobile identification number.
<b>LINE 7.</b>	Registration transaction number. County code.
<b>LINE 8.</b>	End of record identifier.



A moped is defined as a two or three-wheeled vehicle which does not exceed 50 cc's piston displacement, has a top speed of no more than 30 miles per hour on a level surface, produces 2.0 brake horsepower or less, and does not have a gearshift. Mopeds are not titled.

### **MOPED REGISTRATION RECORD**

1.	A SOS 16 02/19/2004 10:43:40 IP10_28_15_152/MIPC.
2.	24;K869D.
3.	04/30/2004 MP-ORIGINAL
4.	JAMES RONALD HAGMAN
5.	111 N BRIDGE ST LANSING 48918
6.	2001 SUZUKI RFBSCAAS11B101210
7.	226M1410432 23
8.	MI SOS

### **LINE-BY-LINE EXPLANATION OF A MOPED REGISTRATION RECORD**

<b>LINE 1.</b>	Date, time, and computer terminal identifier of query.
<b>LINE 2.</b>	Query code and registration number.
<b>LINE 3.</b>	Expiration date of moped registration. Code for type of registration. Type of registration transaction.
<b>LINE 4.</b>	Name of registered owner.
<b>LINE 5.</b>	Street address of registered owner. City of residence and zip code of registered owner.
<b>LINE 6.</b>	Model year of moped. Make of moped. Moped identification number.
<b>LINE 7.</b>	Registration transaction number. County code.
<b>LINE 8.</b>	End of record identifier.